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*No. ANG 2151 F.*

Public Works Department,
Bombay Castle (Bombay No.1).
5th December 1951.

From

The Assistant Secretary to the Government of
Bombay Public Works Department.

To

The President,
Association of the Subordinate Service of
Engineers, 1187/19, South Nagar,
Poona 5.

Subject:- Request for grant of permanent travelling allowance to Overseers in lieu of travelling allowance and also not to restrict the travelling allowance below the present limit.

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Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 237, dated the 8th November 1951, I am directed to state that your request to allow Overseers to draw permanent travelling allowance in lieu of travelling allowance cannot, it is regretted, be reconsidered.

2. As regards your complaint that travelling allowance is at present being restricted to Rs. 30/- to Rs.40/- per mensem by the local officers, I am directed to request you to quote specific instances and approach the Head of Office or Department concerned, who will enlighten you in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Id/-

(S. V. Iyer),

Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Public Works Department.

D.A.-Nil.

Copy forwarded to -

The Chief Engineer, Bombay Electric Grid,

the Superintending Engineers of Circles,

the Public Health Engineers to Government,

the Executive Engineers of Divisions,

for information.

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No. ANG 1251 F.

Public Works Department,
Bombay Castle (Bombay No.1)
29th January 1952.

From

Shri V.W. Gothoskar, B.Sc., B.E., A.M.I.E.(Ind.),
Deputy Secretary to Government of Bombay,
Public Works Department.

To

Shri V. K. Bapat,
President, Association of Subordinate Service
of Engineers,
1197/19, Shivajinagar,
Poona 5.

Subject:- Protection to services.

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Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 348, dated the 30th November 1951, I am directed to state that Government has always been giving due protection to its servants and will continue to do so. Every case is dealt with on its merits and no apprehension of harassment on unfounded complints need be entertained by the Accociation.

2. I am to add that at times a person may succed in securing a discharge or acquittal in Court for reasons of a legalistic or technical nature and it is necessary to see in what manner the accused Government servant secured his discharge or acquittal in the Court case. For this purpose, it is necessary to hold a departmental enquiry even in such cases, in the interests of administration;

3. Government, however, considers as objectionable the manner in which the question of an individual, viz., Shri L.S. Kale, officiating Deputy Engineer, has been raised by you on the general issue of protection to the members of the Subordinate Service of Engineers. I am, directed to state that the Association should refrain from taking up individual cases.

Yours faithfully,

Id/-

Deputy Secretary to the Government
of Bombay, Public Works Department.

D.A.-Nil.

DJT./- Copy forwarded to the Political and Services Department for information.

## Rule 637 of Bombay P.W.D. Manual.

### General Rules for payment against grants.

637. The want of provision in the estimates does not operate to prevent payment of any sums really due by Government nor the want of sanction to prevent record of any actual payment. It is no economy to postpone inevitable payments, and it is very important to ascertain, liquidate and record the payment of all actual obligations at the earliest possible date. It must be borne in mind that if an inevitable payment is required to be made in the absence of funds, the error lies not in the payment but in the entering into the liability to meet which the payment is made. No Government servant should however without previously obtaining an extra appropriation, incur expendi-ture in excess of the amount provided under the heads concerned. When a Government servant exceeds the annual appropriation he will be responsible for the excess.

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DJT./-

No. 202 of 1952.
11/19 Shiwajinagar Poona 5,
Dated 25-9-1952.

To

The Chief Engineer,

Bombay P. W. D.

Bombay 1.

Subject:- Request for grant of P.T.A. to overseers in lieu of travelling allowance and also not to restrict the present limit etc.

Ref:- Government letter P.W.D. No. ANG 1251-F. Dated 5th December , 1951.

Sir,

Your para(1) noted and elucidated separetly below.

Regarding your para,2 inquires were made with almost all the local officers and a copy of letter No. 6461 Dated 24th July, 1952 from the Superintending Engineer Deccan Irrigation Circle Poona and a copy letter from the Executive Engineer - Kolhapur Dn. are enclosed for perusal.

It will be seen from the contents of the above two letters as to why the Association had to approach Government with a request to issue instructions to local Officers not to restrict the Travelling Allowance on reasons of Shortage of Funds.

The Association feels that the overseers who had undertaken journeys for Government work in good faith - that their bills will be paid in obediance of Government orders i.e. to a limit of Rs. 60-14-0 should not be made to face frustration on a subsequent date by sanctioning less payment to suit the short grant. If lesser grants were to be received the overseers could have been asked to undertake lesser journeys as well, which would have not made the overseers suffer a finincial loss in cause of Government.

The Association would invite Government's attention to rule No. 637 of Bombay P. W. D. mannual (Copy attached) and request Government to place adequate funds now at the disposal of the controlling authorities during this year to enable them to defray the partly paid bills to the full accounts.

It has also been experienced that certain officers

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have disallowed certain journeys which have been undertaken on the reason that they were found to be not essential, on a subsequent date. While it can be generally be said that the powers vested in controlling authorities to disallow payment of such journeys cannot be challenged. It should really be open to give the officers whose claims have been so disallowed an oppertunity to argue his case and establish the bonafides of bills preferred by him before cutting down such claims.

The Association had already represented that the T.A. bills are not paid for a long time after their submission. After such a long time it will be really obscure to many find their journey not allowed on the above reasons and it is likely to be taken to mean that the main reason among others therefore was the short funds only.

Your para 1:- All such controversies will end if the system of permanant travelling allowance is introduced, as it done already in the case of Class I & II officers and even also to lower grade staff such as canal Inspectors, Maistries and Mustring Karkuns etc.

The Association earnestly requests Government, again to reconsider this issue.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(V. K. Bapat.)

President.

Enclosures.

3 Nos.

P. W. D.

F.Br.

Acknowledged under No. ANG 2151 F dt. the 7th Octr. 1952.

Id/- Id/-

DJT./-

Confdl.
No. ANG 2151 F

P. W. D.
B.C. (Bombay No.1),

7th Nov. 52.

To

The S.E., D.I.C.,

The Ex. Engr., Kolhapur Dn.

Sub:-- Curtailment of amount of T.A. bills preferred by members of the S.S.E.

The President, Assocn. of the S.S.E., had forwarded a copy of your letter No. 6461, dt. the No. G. 114, dt. the 14-2-52, from which it appears that the amounts 24-7-52, of t.a. were curtailed in some cases owing to paucity of funds. I am to request you please to state the circumstances under which the amounts were curtailed and also whether they were curtailed even when the journeys in question were also be stated whether prior instructions were issued to restrict the amounts of t. a. to any specified amount.

By order of the G. of B.,

D.S. to Govt., P.W.D.

Copy to S.E., S.C. for information.

Id/-

Issued.

Id/-

DJT./-